Average cost of production in mines of ECL

3050. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the average cost of production of coal at the Simlong, Ki-ludia, Tapli and Rajpura mines of Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL);

(b) how the productivity indicator "Tons per employee" compares with the average figures at CIL;

(c) what is the total number of mines in ECL and how many of them are in operation at present; and

(d) what is the total loss of ECL in 2000-01?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) The average cost of production of coal for the year 2000-2001 in respect of Simlong opencast and Rajpura opencast mines is as under:—

(Rs. per tonne)

Simlong OC	2920.01
Rajpura OC	4861.08

There are no mines by the name Ki-ludia and Tapli in ECL.

(b) The productivity indicator OMS (out put in tonne per man shift) in ECL in comparison with average figures of CIL during the last three years is given below:—

Year	ECL	CIL
1998-1999	0.85	2.03
1999-2000	0.83	2.10
2000-2001	0.99	2.30

(c) The total number of working mines in ECL (as on 1.10.2001) are 111, out of which 3 mines are not producing coal at present.

(d) The total loss of ECL as per the Annual Working Results of 2000-01 has been to the tune of Rs. 917.19 crores